

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 remain in the application with claims 15-20 having been cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer, and new claims 21-50 having been added.

The cancellation of claims 15-20 renders moot the rejection thereof under 35 USC 102(b).

Notice is respectfully taken of the allowance of claims 1-14.

In regard to new claims 21-50, claims 21-30 track exactly allowed claims 2-11 that depend from claim 1. Claims 21-30 track claims 2-11 and depend from allowed independent claim 12. Claims 31-40 also track original claims 2-11 and depend from allowed claim 13. Lastly, claims 41-50 track claims 2-11 and depend from allowed independent claim 14.

Accordingly, by reason of the allowance of claims 2-11, it is respectfully submitted that claims 21-50 are also allowable.

Therefore, by reason of the cancellation of the rejected claims and the allowance of claims 1-14, as well as the addition of allowable dependent claims 21-50, it is respectfully submitted that all claims remaining in this application are now in condition for allowance.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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